OLD ENGLAND:

OR,

The NATIONAL GAZETTE.

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Iterum iterumque monebo —— VIRG.

WE have been often told, what (as many Reaſons prove and not one diſprove) we are to believe we have been *truly* told, That Men firſt entered into *Society* and ſubmitted to *Government*, not for the ſake of *one Man*, or *one Set* of *Men*, but for the *general Happineſs* and *Security* of *all*.

With the ſame Breath of Truth, we have alſo been aſſured, That when Men parted with their *natural Liberty* to form that *Society* and that *Government*, they did ſo with no other view than to have it returned them in a meliorated State; the Forge of *Government* (they imagined) was to produce them a Metal purg'd of it's Alloys, was to preſent them *clean, rational Liberty*.

Thus it was in the Beginning. In this Condition does the ſplendid *Tyrant* of Mankind, in his *Commentary*, deſcribe our Foreſathers to be; 'till his own *Arms*, not leſs impious than irreſiſtible, overthrew thoſe little *Fabrics of Liberty*, his own *Reaſon* could not but admire. Had he united thoſe *Polyarchies*, thoſe ſmall independent Societies he found in *Britain*, into a compact *monarchical* Commonwealth, or left them in the State he found them, inſtead of erecting as he did out of their Materials a tributary provincial Structure; he might have wanted the Experience equal to the Accompliſhment of his future vaſt Deſigns: To extinguiſh the *infant Lights* of *Britiſh* Liberty, was a fit Exerciſe for the illimitable Ambition that was ſoon to ſtifle the *more Blaze* of *Roman* Liberty itſelf.

But if Immortals never die, no more can *Liberty*. She, and *Truth*, and *Virtue*, may awhile diſappear, may for a time give place to *Cæſar*.——Vices have their Seaſons, have their Triumphs, have their *mercenary Guards*; but Vices too have their Puniſhment, their Ignominy, and their daſtard Mercenaries have fled before the ruſty Sword of injured, angry, and immortal *Liberty*.——*Cæſar* felt her contemptible Grab; the laſt Office of Humanity ſhe denied the fated Carcaſs of the *Norman* Tyrant; and *John*, when to deſtroy her, yielded to Power irreſiſtible, confirmed her Laws, and ratified her *Charter*.

It ſhould ſeem then (now as well as formerly) that to preſerve, ſtrengthen, & to cheriſh *Liberty*, is the only ſafe, as well as the only true, End of *Government*. And yet this ſelf-evident Maxim has been wiſely contradicted of late Years; unleſs indeed it be made appear, in this Age of Paradox, That a *Standing Army* is the neareſt Friend and beſt Phyſician, inſtead of being the brutal Raviſher and fell Deſtroyer, of the delicate Goddeſs of all our Wiſhes.—If our *Ænigmatiſts* make this plain to Underſtandings leſs profound than their own, they have only yet to prove the Folly of Honeſty and Truth, and the undoubted Preference they think due to Fraud and Falſhood.

But whatever may be the Skill of theſe Caſuiſts, ſtill apt to think obſtinate People will ſtill retain their old Opinions; nay, and (which is aggravating the matter) will make a Merit of it too. They will, maugre all modern Diſcovery, leave Virtues and Vices where Philoſophy firſt and then Divinity had fixed them: They will be old faſhioned enough to declaim for the firſt and againſt the laſt: They will go farther; they will be tracing the Progreſs of Tyranny, and drawing certain, and therefore offenſive, Deductions, proving (from the Experience of all Ages and all Nations) that an *undue Uſe* of military *Force* ever broke down the Fences of Law, ever effaced the glowing Pictureſque of Arts, of Science, and of Freedom; and that hence the towering Ramparts, the frightful Caracatures, of Sole Command pain the Sight and wound the Imagination. They will be aſcertaining that *undue Uſe*, in the *mercenary Land-Arms* maintained by a *maritime* State at a time of general Tranquillity. They will be calling Names: Like the famous *penſionary Parliament* of *Charles* II. as it was nicknamed, they will declare (as the other voted) *the Standing Army a Nuſance*. Theſe ſame pertinacious Inquiſitors will be demanding, to what End was the *Revolution* brought about? If to ſave Religion only, the End has been anſwered; but if as it was pretended, the Preſervation of *Liberty* was a Motive at leaſt equally, if not more, intereſting, they ſtand amazed to find the eſſential Principle deviated from; for they will perſiſt in thinking *military Force* utterly incompatible with *civil Freedom*. Much more, in a word, than I think prudent to mention, do theſe obſtinate Diſputants ſay to this ugly Buſineſs.

However I may venture to affirm in general, That according to the Care and Reſolution demonſtrated by any Nation in the Preſervation and Defence of their civil Rights, againſt *military* and arbitrary Encroachments, in proportion is ſuch a Nation reverted or dreaded, neglected or deſpiſed. If Courage is the Buckler of a private Man, it is ſo in a much more eminent degree of a Community. —— Laws protect Men from one another, but a Community muſt yield to, or vanquiſh, the Invader, as it's own peculiar Courage is active or ſupine, is animated or diſmayed. Courage, in ſhort, is the general Criterion of Eſtimation. A Man known to poſſeſs Courage will never be inſulted, a Community diſtinguiſhed by this Quality will neither find a foreign or domeſtic Foe prompt in Invaſion.

No one need be told the Characteriſtics of the *Eaſtern* Monarchies: Indeed, without going ſo far, we may meet with Monarchies raiſed and ſupported by Pillars of *military* Operation. Unmanly *Cowardice*, unbleſs'd *Ignorance*, ungracious *Force*, and mimic *Liberty*, uphold, maintain, adorn and illumine the boaſted Ædifice of *Gallic* Glory. *Spain*, with all the Treaſures of her *Indies*, is wretched, poor, and enſlaved. Yet, it muſt not be denied, that both *France* and *Spain* made violent Efforts to preſerve their civil Immunities; but, thro' Inattention and Infatuation, the Machinations of Tyranny had got the Start of *Liberty*, had under various Pretences kept up, increaſed, doubled and trebled the Number of *mercenary Forces*, 'till in the End the *Sword* governed ſole and abſolute: A pſeudo *Liberty* indeed (a Demonſtration of the Neceſſity of the *true*) is obliged to be adopted to amuſe, to deceive, and conciliate Affections which Nature and Reaſon never meant ſhould be ſo amuſed, deceived, or conciliated. I am afraid to ſay, this haſtens to be the Fate of *England*; but from no other Motive than that I am afraid to think it.

England has been eminently ſucceſsful in former Struggles for baniſhing *Deſpotiſm*; but then ſhe was likewiſe indefatigably ſedulous in watching the Lears and Stratagems in which ſhe might be entangled. She was never known before the *Revolution*, if we except the Uſurpation, to ſuffer 20000 *Land Forces*, in a profound Peace, to fatten in Idleneſs, and prey upon her Vitals.

Scotland too, once terrible in Arms, once diſdainful of the Tyrant, bore up Independence to the very Teeth of Majeſty: The Sound of the *Curfew* Bell in *England* was not more alarming, than the Rumor of a *Standing Army* was in *Scotland*. When the Mother of the famous *Mary* Queen of *Scots*, held the Sceptre of *Scotland*, and ſhe was adviſed by her *French* Counſellors to keep up a *Standing Army* to make ſome unpalatable Meaſures go down with the Public, the People aſſembled, and drew up a very ſpirited and manly Remonſtrance againſt ſuch a Proceeding. This Remonſtrance (as it is a Pattern of it's kind) I ſhall copy, and, recommending it, as it really deſerves, to particular Attention, I cannot better cloſe my Subject than by it's Introduction and Peruſal.

" *May it pleaſe your Majeſty*,

" We come in Name and by Authority of the Commons of *Scotland*, the Freeholders, and Burgeſſes, to repreſent in the moſt dutiful and loyal Manner, the bad tendency of the preſent Attempt againſt our Liberty and Conſtitution, by the intended Project of a new Tax upon all landed Men, in ſupport of a body of the moſt uſeleſs and worthleſs Part of the Commonwealth, a body and band of Soldiers to be levied and ſupported for the pretended Defence of our Kingdom; when, thro' all Ages paſt, the native Inhabitants and Proprietors have demonſtrated how capable they were to defend their Country againſt all Auxiliaries or *Mercenaries* who have attempted to diſturb our national Tranquility. We moſt humbly beg Leave to repreſent with great Duty, Candour, and Fidelity, to your Majeſty, as our Regent and Guardian, that we are abſolutely of Opinion of the utter Inutility, and ill Conveniency, of theſe or ſuch like Forces, raiſed upon a Fund which muſt diſtreſs and annoy your Subjects of the largeſt Property. Suppoſing ſuch Mercenaries and Forces to be in your Highneſs's and the Nation's Pay, can it thought or expected, that theſe will act with the ſame Vigour, or ſo effectually to repel and check the Enemy upon your Frontier as the Nobility and Gentry who take the Field voluntary, who are innured to War and come to defend their Families, their Lives, Eſtates and all that's valuable. There can be no Doubt of their Bravery nor Fidelity; and you are ſure to have them always prepared upon any Emergency for their own Safety, which can't be the Caſe of hired mercenary Troops; for, as they have no Tie nor Obligation upon them but their Pay, they are always liable and in Danger of being corrupted by the Enemy's ſuperior Rewards: Theſe, who have no Obligations but Money, are ready to ſerve where beſt paid. This is the Evil of all *ſtanding Armies*. They are the *Burthen* and *Nuſance* of the State, except when under the moſt accurate Reſtrictions and Regulations; they are always doubtful, and by no Means equal in Certainty or Integrity in their Operations to the National Militia, under the Command of their Heads and Maſters, when called to fight in Defence of their Inheritance, Properties, Lives, Families, which are the chief Motives to excite Bravery, Reſolution, and a deſperate Reſiſtance of a foreign Enemy. Your Highneſs, by this Innovation, muſt give your Subjects of *Scotland* ground to ſuſpect you propoſe, by the evil Council of Foreigners, to enſlave the People of *Scotland*, and to ſubject them to *military Force*, to make them only ſubſervient to the Deſigns and Projections of other Nations. This naturally muſt excite a Jealouſy, and affect your Intereſt and Regard in the Minds and Affections of the People of *Scotland*, which we hope your Majeſty will preſerve inviolably attach'd to your Majeſty's juſt Adminiſtration. We think it our Duty to remonſtrate againſt this dangerous Meaſure, which we conceive your Majeſty has been induced to offer by the Perſuaſion of a latent but dangerous Enemy to our Country, it's Peace and Liberty. Suppoſing the Kingdom of *Scotland* ſhould agree to this new Manner of Defence of their Country, Who are to levy this large and extenſive Tax? Who are to be accountable to the Nation for the right and juſt Application of it, and how ſhall it be executed? In what Manner are the Levies to be made, and of whom are theſe mercenary Troops to be compoſed? ——of Natives or Foreigners, or both? Will this auxiliary Army of Mercenaries be a ſufficient Barrier, and upon all Occations act with Fidelity to their Truſt? If not, what have the Kingdom of *Scotland* to do to introduce this Servitude upon them-

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ſelves and their Poſterity? The ſtrongeſt Fortification for the Eſtabliſhment of your Majeſty's Adminiſtration and Government, is in the Love and Affections of your Subjects, and they will neceſſarily Love and Obey, when they find your Majeſty's tender and greateſt Care is to ſecure their Properties, their Lives and Families, and your Endeavours ſucceſsful in promoting their Happineſs. *Robert Bruce*, who was the great Aſſertor of the Honour and Independency of the Imperial Crown of *Scotland*, gave it as Part and Branch of his laſt Will and Teſtament, that there was no Way nor Mean ſo effectual to ſupport the Spirit and Grandeur of the *Scots* Nation as to exerciſe and diſcipline the Natives in the Art of War: That long and lethargic Peace made the People fall into Luxury, Inactivity, and indolent Gratifications of Pleaſure, which ſo ſoftened and weakened their Minds as to reduce them to a contemptible Diſpoſition of Spirit, and did prepare them for being conquered and enſlaved by all their Neighbours; therefore, as long Peace with the *Engliſh* and others was not to be expected, (according to *Robert Bruce*) it was the evident Intereſt of *Scotland* to ſupport and cultivate the warlike and military Genius of the Natives, which was the moſt effectual Defence and Barrier againſt all Invaders and Foreign Enemies, as well as of evident Preference, and much greater Advantage, than any hir'd or ſtanding Force, whoſe Integrity and Bravery was precarious, and upon no ſure Eſtabliſhment."

LONDON.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, Oct. 7.

The Court goes out of Mourning on Sunday next the 13th Inſtant, for the late Electrice of Bavaria, and for the late Prince of Modena.

Seats vacated by Deaths ſince the Riſing of the Parliament: John Plumtree, Eſq; late Treaſurer of the Ordnance, Lord Gallway, Pontefract; John Selwyn, jun, Eſq; Whitchurch; Capt. Harry Gough, Brambar; and Thomas Matthews, Eſq; Carmarthen Town.

Tueſday was held a Board of Lords of Trade and Plantations, at which were preſent all the Lords of the Board; when ſeveral Methods were agreed on for the Support of the Colony of Nova Scotia.

We hear a Propoſition will be made in a certain great Aſſembly, that every Revenue Board in the Kingdom may appoint its own Officers without Recommendation, and become thereby the more accountable for their Conduct, and more at Liberty to puniſh them when deficient in their Duty.

We hear that his Excellency the Duke de Mirepoix, the French Ambaſſador, intends to give Entertainments at the Opera Houſe in the Haymarket, for three Day ſucceſſively, on Account of the Birth of the Duke of Burgundy, in the middle of November next. The firſt Day the Royal Family is to be entertained, the next the Nobility, and the third the Gentry.

We are aſſured, that all his Majeſty's Officers, Tradeſmen, and Servants, belonging to the Court, will ſoon be paid up to Lady-Day laſt, there having been lately a large Sum paid out of the Revenues into the Treaſury for that Purpoſe.

We hear a ſquadron of Men of War will ſoon ſail, under the Command of Commodore Saunders, as a Fleet of Obſervation in the Mediterranean. And we likewiſe hear, there is another *obſerving* Fleet intended to cruize in the Weſt Indian Seas, to learn the Method the Guard de Coſtas take to riſle Britiſh Merchants.

We are informed that a few Days ago a Perſon of Diſtinction ſent his Servant with two Letters, one to go to a Perſon of Quality in Town, and the other by the Poſt, which, by Miſtake, were delivered wrong; and on opening one of them, a Liſt of 16 Perſons of Rank appeared, who had formed a Scheme of altering ſome certain Affairs, which by this unlucky Accident, will in all Probability, miſcarry.

The late Dutcheſs of Bolton has by Will left 10l. to every Servant, for Mourning; and 10l. a Year to each for Life, to be paid them the ſecond of October annually.

Laſt Tueſday Night died, after a very long and very painful Illneſs, which he bore with exemplary Patience and Reſignation, Chriſtopher Barton, Eſq; of Bromley near Bow, who from the Generous Actions of his Life very juſtly merited the Love of all who knew him.

We hear that the Lieutenant Colonel who committed ſome Irregularities lately at the Paymaſter of the Forces Office, for which he was ſent to confinement, is ſince ordered to be confined, and properly taken Care of, he appearing to be diſordered in his Senſes.

Laſt Saturday Night, about ten o'Clock, a Gentleman fell thro' the Gully Hole into the common Sewer, the Bottom of Caſtle-ſtreet by the Mews, which had been careleſsly left open, and continued there a conſiderable Time before the Watchman heard his Cries, when with the Aſſiſtance of another Watchman, he was with great Difficulty got out in a moſt dreadful Condition, being half-drowned and ſcarce able to ſtand, from the great Quantity of Water that inceſſantly poured in upon him.

Wedneſday the Jew who ſwore the Robbery againſt Mr. Goddard of Cranford Bridge, Inn Keeper, was taken up for Wilful and Corrupt Perjury againſt the ſaid Mr. Goddard, and being brought before Henry Fielding, Eſq; was by him committed to New Priſon. What makes the Villainy of this Man the more apparent is the following extraordinary Circumſtance: The Perſon who had Information where he was in Eſſex, and went down to apprehend him, whilſt he was in Company with the ſaid Jew, who ſuſpected what he came about, was charged by him to be the other Perſon in Company with Goddard at the Time of the Robbery: and at the ſame Time took an Opportunity to ſlip two or three Ducats into his Pocket, and then immediately deſired he might be ſearched; which the Perſon complying with, in pulling out his Handkerchief, the Ducats fell on the Ground, on which he imagined he ſhould be able to make his own Eſcape, by charging the Robbery on this Perſon; but has been convinced of his Miſtake.

Thomas Morris, who was committed to Tothill-fields Bridewell ſome Time ſince, by Thomas Lediard, Eſq; for being concerned with Richard Chiles and others, for ſtealing ſeveral Pieces of Cotton Callicoes out of the whittening Ground of Mr. John Dalton at Stratford in Eſſex, were re-examin'd before the ſame Gentleman Yeſterday ſe'nnight, when he confeſſed that he and Chilcock had ſtolen at ſeveral Times and Places in and about the Neighbourhood of Epping Foreſt, to the Amount of 139 Fowls, 34 Geeſe, about 40 Ducks, 7 Piggs, 6 Beehives, and ſome Pigeons, and two Lambs out of a Butcher's Field near Whitechapel, and a large Quantity of Wet Linnen that hung out to dry in a Yard near Epping Foreſt, beſides 24 Pieces of Linens, Cottons, and Callicoes, and three Pieces of Sheeting out of different Whitening Grounds to a very conſiderable Value. And

Thurſday Richard Chilcock was re-examined before the ſaid Gentleman, when he confeſſed that he in Company with Thomas Morris, John Tucker, Adam Evans, and one Thomas Davy, and Robert Weſton, who are not yet taken, but for whom diligent ſearch is making, all Soldiers) had ſtolen to the Amount of 12 Sheep, 102 Fowls, 45 Ducks, 40 Geeſe, 5 Pigs, and 18 Beehives, all on the Eſſex Road, and thereabouts, and 28 Pieces of Linens, Cottons, and Callicoes, from the whitening Grounds about Old Ford, Bromley, Bow and Stratford; and that they ſold the greateſt Part of the Linens, &c. to divers Perſons about Deptford, Greenwich, and Woolwich, ſeveral of whom are now in Maidſtone Goal, on ſuſpicion of receiving them, knowing them to be ſtolen.

From Weyhill Fair, near Andover in Hampſhire, we have an Account, that there were few good Hops there this Year, and thoſe ſold at the extravagant Price of eight Guineas per Hundred, and from that down to three Pound ten per Hundred: We alſo hear, that the Highwaymen, to the Number of a Dozen or more, were very buſy in viſiting every Perſon they met coming from the Fair.

We have Advice by the Dutch Mail, that a Courier from London had paſſed through the Hague, going to Dreſden, with his Britannic Majeſty's Ratification of the Treaty of Subſidy lately concluded with the King of Poland, Elector of Saxony; and that the ſaid Courier was alſo charged with important Diſpatches for the Courts of Petersburgh, Vienna and Munich.

The States General are compriz'd, in Quality of Contracting Parties in this Treaty, which was ſigned at Dreſden the 13th of laſt Month, and is to ſubſiſt ſix Years: The ſubſidy is fixed at 48000 l. Sterling, for which an auxiliary Body of Saxon Troops is to be at the Diſpoſal of the Maritime Powers who are to pay and maintain them, if they ſhould happen to ſtand in Need of their Aſſiſtance.

Private Letters from the Hague aſſure us, his Serene Highneſs preſſes their High Mightineſſes with the greateſt Aſſiduity, to deliberate ſeriouſly on the Memorial which he recommended to their Conſideration before he went to Aix-la-Chapelle, as relative to certain Points eſſential to the Proſperity of the Republick. But it is ſaid they have referred it to the Conſideration of certain Boards to report by what Methods it may be beſt carried into Execution.

They write from Elſineur of the 3d Inſtant, that they had received an Expreſs from Matterland in Sweden, that the Diving Company of that Place had brought into their Harbour, a large Ship laden with Coals, without Maſts or Sails; which, by its Appearance, muſt be the unfortunate Greyhound of Scarborough.

Extract of a Letter from Plymouth, Oct. 4.

"Since my laſt came in the Warren, Thomſon, Maſter, of and for London from Barbadoes, by whom we have Advice, that the French in the Weſt Indies are doing what intelligent Men have apprehended, notwithſtanding ſome occaſional Reports to the contrary: In ſhort, inſtead of making the leaſt Diſpoſitions towards evacuating the Neutral Iſlands, they are daily ſending more People thither, and are raiſing ſeveral new Fortifications."

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, Oct. 12.

"In one of my Letters I mentioned the Death of Monſ. Vanderberg, Dykegrave, and Bailiff of Rhynland. This Employment, one of the moſt conſiderable in the Republic, both in Dignity and Profit, has been offered to Count Bentinck, but he generouſly declined to accept it, and it is very well known to have been in purſuance of his Recommendation to the Prince Stadtholder, that Monſ. De Catwyck, has been nominated to that important Poſt: And alſo that the Employment of Bailiff of Goreum, vacant by the Promotion of Monſ. De Catwyk, has been given to Monſ. De Boeſſiere. Both theſe Gentlemen were of the College of the Nobles of the Province of Holland, and their Promotion has given general ſatisfaction."

Extract of a Letter from Naples, Sept. 22.

"Laſt Week the Secretary of State received Notice, that the Commiſſary at War of the King's Troops at the Preſidii, had eſcaped from Orbitello with the Military Caſh, conſiſting of about 1000 Zequeens, for the Payment of the Troops."

Extract of a Letter from Conſtantinople, Auguſt 24.

"The Plague is thought to be ſomewhat abated. The Number that is ſaid to have died thereof in three Months is too incredible to mention, yet 'tis affirmed, that they amount to 73800 Perſons. With the Calamity of the Plague and Fire, we had, on the 4th Inſtant, in the Morning, a violent Storm of Thunder and Rain, attended with a ſhock of an Earthquake; the Inundation was ſo violent, that in one Quarter of the Town, it carried away 15 Houſes, drowned ſeveral of the Inhabitants, and moſt of the Houſes in Town have more or leſs ſuffered. We have neither Britiſh nor Muſcovy ſhips in the Port; ſome are expected from London, but as they are firſt to touch at Smyrna, 'tis hoped they will not arrive 'till the Diſtemper is ceaſed."

Extract of a Letter from Kingſton in Jamaica, July 20.

"The ſhip Queen Mary is arrived here from St. Kitt's; it being bad Weather made her come here for Freight, and I believe ſhe will ſtay here a long Time, for our Crop is over. The Pelham arrived here about 20 Days ago, and is ſailed again for Briſtol. We have had a great Sickneſs in this Town for above five Weeks; never leſs than five or ſix a Day (of the white People) die; one Day 14. At Black River they die like rotten Sheep; they have the Yellow Fever, which rages like a Plague, and are ſeized with a Purging and black Vomitting. They die with the ſame in Kingſton. We have had very hard ſqually Weather here of late, with a great deal of Rain; and ſince that, hotter Weather that I have known in this Country, which has occaſioned the Death of many poor Souls; having, 'till about three Months ago, for two Years paſt, had but little Rain."

COUNTRY NEWS.

Briſtol, Oct. 5. A very melancholy Misfortune has lately befel a young married Lady of a good Family in Wiltſhire: An Officer of the Army having been quartered in a Town near Bradford, the ſaid young Lady, who was Daughter to one of the wealthieſt Cloathiers in that Country, fell in Love with him, and a Marriage was conſummated between them without the Privity or Conſent of her Father. The Officer, who, it ſeems is a Gentleman alſo of a reputable Family ſoon after ſold his Commiſſion for 1500 l. and having ſome other Income, he retired with his Lady into Hampſhire, waiting the Iſſue of the Event from the Lady's Father as to an Increaſe of his Fortune. It happened that the above Officer had imbibed ſome little Reſentment againſt his Wife on a trifling Affair, of her ſtaying too long before ſhe came to Dinner, which waited on the Table; and he reproving her for it in a Manner ſomewhat too warm, ſhe ſo highly reſented his Rebuke, that ſhe immediately run up Stairs, and ſoon returned with a Glaſs of Liquid

Laudanum in her Hand, and drank it off in the Presence of her Husband with these Words, viz. *Duty, and Obedience, and this shall end all Disputes!* and died soon after, though all the skilful Applications that possibly could be thought of were used to preserve her Life.

SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, Oct. 1. On the 24th ult. died, at his Seat of Englishmadie, the Right Hon. David Lord Falconer of Halkerton, in the 71st Year of his Age. He is succeeded in his Honours and Estate by his eldest Son Alexander now Lord Halkerton.

They write from Glasgow that on Tuesday last Thomas Forrester, who broke his own sloop last Summer, was tried before the Magistrates there, and being found guilty in Terms of the Libel, they ordered him to pay 20l. Sterling, to his Partner, the Owner, in the Name of Damages, and, upon Wednesday the 9th Instant, to be taken from Prison, and conducted thro' the principal Streets of the Town, having his Hands tied behind his Back, and be conducted by the Hangman, with FRAUD in large Characters on his Breast; thereafter to be banished the Town for ever, with Certification, if he return, to be whipt once every Month for a Year.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

ITALY.

Rome, Sept. 13. *O. S.* A few Days ago as the Pope was going to the Quirinal, an Ordinary Man kneeled down upon his Knees near the Coach, as he wanted to receive his Holiness's Blessing, which his Holiness was going to give, the Man threw a Stone at the Pope's Head, which very narrowly missed. He proved to be a mad Man who had that day escaped out of the Hospital for Lunaticks, before the Pope ordered him to be sent again, with a Charge to the Officers to take more Care for the future of the unhappy People under their Care.

Genoa write from Foligno, that a Capuchin there having preached with great Vehemence against the Growth Corruption of Manners, and particularly inveighing upon the bad Example, which People of Distinction set to those of Inferior Rank, Count Vitelleschi, who lives at Foligno, was extremely offended at the Liberty taken by the Preacher; and imagining himself principally aimed at, went to the Convent which the Capuchin belonged to, in order to kill him: The Capuchin finding a violent Man attacking him with Reproaches, and falling upon him, disarmed him, told the Count, without any seeming Emotion, that Death he was not under the least Apprehensions about. The Count being thunderstruck at so uncommon an Instance of Resolution, left the Capuchin without doing him any Hurt, and few Hours after went off and has not been heard of since. Upon this Advice the Pope has ordered the Governor of Foligno to confiscate the Effects of Count Vitelleschi, because tho' he did not put in Execution his Design of killing the Capuchin, he nevertheless guilty of a high Offence, both against Church and State, by insulting a Preacher, when censuring Vice did nothing more that discharge the Duty of his Office.

FRANCE.

Paris, Sept. 27. *O. S.* By the Death of the late Prince of Modena, who had embraced an Ecclesiastic Life, there are actually four Abbeys vacant in France, viz. Anchin, Aisnay, Conchin, and Cavillers.

GERMANY.

Hamburg, Sept. 23. *O. S.* The Company of Sweden has actually caused two great ships to be built at Stockholm, which are designed for the Commerce of the East.

London, Sept. 24. *O. S.* The East India Company have received Letters from China, with Advice that their Factors at Canton, had already made up a Quantity of Goods to send home by the Ships employed in that Trade.

Vienna, Sept. 27, *O. S.* By the principal Conditions of the Treaty of Subsidy which the King has concluded with the Maritime Powers, his Majesty obliges himself to concur in general, with the King of Great Britain, in the Measures which will most effectually tend to the Welfare of the Empire, and Advantage of the Germanic Body.

Hanover, 27. O. S. A Courier arrived here this Morning from London, who, after delivering some Dispatches to the Lords of the Regency, continued his Journey towards Petersburg, where, 'tis thought, he carries a Copy of the Treaty lately concluded between his Britannick Majesty and the King of Po-

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